Wednesday, April 30, 1958

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Interior appropriations bill.

House debated bill extending, temporarily, unemployment compensation benefits.

Senate committees approved bill to limit appellate jurisdiction of U. S. Supreme Court, and reported resolution relating to limitation of debate in Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 4 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3728-3731. Page 7682

Resolution Reported: Report was made as follows: S. Res. 17, to amend rule XXII (so-called cloture rule) relating to limitation on debate in the Senate (S. Rept. 1509).

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Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee.

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President's Communication—VA and HHFA Funds: Communication from President transmitting proposed amendment to budget for fiscal year 1959 involving an increase of \$1,802,000 for Veterans' Administration and a proposed increase in a limitation for the Housing and Home Finance Agency was received, referred to Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 94.

Printing: H. Con. Res. 308, providing for the printing of 4,000 additional copies of hearings on reciprocal trade agreements legislation, was adopted.

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Interior Appropriations: Senate passed H. R. 10746, fiscal 1959 appropriations for the Department of the Interior, after adopting amendments thereto, as follows:

All committee amendments, en bloc, which thereafter were considered as original text for purpose of amendment, without any waiver of points of order; Case (South Dakota) amendment increasing by \$45,000 funds for construction, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Fulbright amendment increasing by \$50,000 funds for construction, Fish and Wildlife Service; and Hayden amendment respecting acquisition of strategic minerals (after point of order against a similar committee amendment was sustained).

Senate insisted on its amendment, asked for conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Hayden, Chavez, Magnuson, Holland, Mundt, Young, and Knowland.

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Alexander Hamilton: Final report of the Alexander Hamilton Bicentennial Commission was ordered to be printed, with illustrations, as S. Doc. 95. Pages 7724-7725

Russell Statue: Senate made its unfinished business S. Con. Res. 80, to accept from Montana the statue of Charles Marion Russell, to be placed in Statuary Hall.

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Calendar Call: Order was entered for call of calendar at conclusion of morning business on Thursday, May 1, beginning with Order No. 1431 (S. 666, seeding wheat).

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Confirmations: Four civilian nominations, including that of Walter R. Schreiber, of Maryland, to be member of U. S. Tariff Commission, were confirmed, along with 1 judicial and 4 Army nominations.

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Nominations: Senate received 4 nominations to the Tax Court of the U. S.; 3,641 Navy; and 110 Marine Corps nominations.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:01 p. m.

Committee Meetings

HUMANE SLAUGHTER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee continued its hearings on S. 1213, 1497, and H. R. 8308, bills relating to the humane slaughter of livestock, with testimony from Assistant Secretary of Agriculture E. L. Peterson; Col. Alpheus H. Seeley, Veterinarian Corps Officer and Staff Veterinarian, Office of the Quartermaster General, Army; and John Harvey, Deputy Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, Department of HEW.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 11574, fiscal 1959 appropriations for independent offices, subcommittee heard testimony from Leo A. Hoegh, Administrator, Federal Civil Defense Adminis-

tration; Albert M. Cole, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency; Robert T. Secrest, member, Federal Trade Commission; Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, Director, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; James Ring, National Capital Housing Authority; and Howard G. Freas, Chairman, Interstate Commerce Commission.

Hearings continue May 8.

SMALL-BUSINESS FINANCING

Committee on Banking and Currency: The Small Business Subcommittee continued its hearings on small-business financing legislation (S. 2160, 2185, 2286, 3191, 3643, and 3651), having as its witnesses Archie K. Davis, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, and Frank P. Brennan, Massachusetts Business Development Corp.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. MATTERS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following: With amendments, S. 1846, to provide for the D. C. an appointed Governor and Secretary, and an elected legislative assembly and nonvoting delegate to the House; H. R. 7568, providing that service in the grades of inspector and private in the D. C. Fire Department shall be deemed to be service in such grades for longevity purposes; H. R. 7300, providing certain changes in zoning provisions under the D. C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act; an original joint resolution which would direct the D. C. Commissioners to make a study of factors involved in the construction of a heliport in the D. C.; S. 2667, to establish a standing joint committee on the District of Columbia; and the nomination of Richard R. Atkinson to be a member of the D. C. Redevelopment Land Agency.

TAXATION

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its executive consideration of H. R. 8381, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 so as to correct unintended benefits and hardships, but made no announcements, and will meet again on May 5.

ACREAGE LIMITATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee began hearings on S. 1425, 2541, and 3448, bills relating to acreage limitation, with testimony from Senators Douglas and Morse; Guy C. Jackson, John H. Bliss, Mark Andrews, and Bert L. Smith, all representing the National Reclamation Association; Edwin Lang, Wyoming Resources Commission; Fay Bennett, National Sharecroppers Fund, New York; Harry W. Horton, a California attorney; and Prof. Arthur Maass, Harvard University.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ADVERTISEMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee concluded its hearings on S. 582, to prohibit the transportation in interstate commerce of advertisement of alcoholic beverages, with testimony in opposition to the bill from R. E. Joyce, representing Distilled Spirits Institute and other organizations; Mrs. Grace Ellis, National Women's Association of Allied Beverage Industries, Inc.; Frank Braucher, Magazine Advertising Bureau, New York; Philip Slone, Associated Beverage Publications, New York; Randolph W. Childs, Pennsylvania Alcoholic Beverage Study, Inc.; C. L. Chapin, Repeal Associates, Inc., Annandale, Va.; James F. O'Neil, publisher of the American Legion Magazine; Mrs. Edward A. Davis, Washington, D. C.; John Dwight Sullivan, Advertising Federation of America, New York; and Mrs. Peder Schmidt, Minneapolis, Minn.

APPELLATE JURISDICTION OF SUPREME COURT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, by a vote of 10 to 5, ordered favorably reported, with amendments, S. 2646, to limit the appellate jurisdiction of the Supreme Court in certain cases.

ADMINISTERED PRICES

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings on administered prices in the auto industry, with testimony from Dr. George Katona, University of Michigan, and Richard Latham, an industrial designer, of Latham, Tyler & Jenson, Chicago.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' MATTERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 7251, to include persons pursuing educational programs in the Panama Canal Zone for purposes of receiving benefits under certain veterans' acts, and H. R. 1262, authorizing the Veterans' Administrator to accept certain land in Buncombe County, N. C., for cemetery purposes.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Procurement continued its hearings with regard to small-business participation in Defense Department missile, rocket, and outer space exploration programs, having as its witnesses Perkins McGuire, Assistant Secretary of Defense; Dudley Sharp, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force; Maj. Gen. C. M. McCorkle, Assistant Chief of Staff for Guided Missiles; Maj. Gen. W. O. Senter and Maj. Gen. Ben I. Funk, both of the Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB; and Brig. Gen. Lee Fulton, Air Research and Development Command, Andrews Field, Md., all of the USAF.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H. R. 12266-12285; 3 private bills, H. R. 12286-12288; and 2 resolutions, H. J. Res. 596, and H. Con. Res. 322, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Con. Res. 228, authorizing the printing as House document of the pamphlet entitled "Our American Government. What Is It? How Does It Function?" (H. Rept. 1673);

S. Con. Res. 71, to print the proceedings in connection with the acceptance of the statue of Maria L. Sanford,

late of Minnesota (H. Rept. 1674);

Report of Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries entitled "Safety of Life at Sea Study" (H. Rept. 1675);

H. R. 7241, to amend act providing for the allotment of lands within Fort Belknap Indian Reservation, Mont.

(H. Rept. 1676); H. R. 7790, a private bill (H. Rept. 1677); and

H. R. 10788, to increase the period for which concessionaire leases may be granted from 20 years to 30 years (H. Rept. 1678).

Printing: Adopted the following two resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

H. Con. Res. 228, authorizing the printing as a House document of the pamphlet entitled "Our American Government. What Is It? How Does It Function?"; and

S. Con. Res. 71, to print the proceedings in connection with the acceptance of the statue of Maria L. Sanford, late of Minnesota.

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Military Pay Raise: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 11470, to adjust the method of computing basic pay for officers and enlisted members of the uniformed services and to provide proficiency pay for enlisted members thereof; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Kilday, Rivers, Hébert, Hardy, Gavin, Patterson, and Bates.

Committee To Sit: The Select Committee on Astronautics and Space Exploration was granted permission to sit during the sessions of the House for the balance of the week.

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Unemployment Compensation Extension: By a voice vote the House adopted H. Res. 555, the open rule providing 6 hours of debate on H. R. 12065, to authorize temporary unemployment benefits for individuals who exhaust their benefit rights under existing unemployment compensation laws, and for individuals who were

employed in noncovered employment. After consuming 3 hours and 9 minutes of the time allotted for general debate the House deferred further action on the bill to Thursday.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:07 p. m.

Committee Meetings

POTATOES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Domestic Marketing received testimony from additional public witnesses in support of H. R. 10282, to prohibit trading in potato futures in commodity exchanges. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FEED GRAINS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock and Feed Grains met in executive consideration of proposed legislation relating to feed grains. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

PENTAGON REORGANIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Continued hearings relative to Defense Department reorganization proposal and received testimony from Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army; and Adm. Arleigh A. Burke, Chief of Naval Operations. Hearings continue tomorrow.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings relative to relieving current unemployment in the United States. Testimony was received from Walter P. Reuther, president, United Auto Workers. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on General Education in executive session ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 12058, to authorize Federal assistance to the States and local communities in financing an expanded program of school construction so as to eliminate the national shortage of classrooms.

In open hearing the subcommittee continued consideration of H. R. 10763, to authorize assistance to States and local communities in remedying the inadequacies in the number of their teachers and teachers' salaries and the shortage in classrooms. Testimony was received from public witnesses. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ELDERLY CITIZENS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Safety and Compensation resumed hearings on vari-

ous bills relating to problems of aged and aging citizens. Testimony was received from Government and public witnesses. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE MISCELLANY

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Special Education ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills:

H. R. 488, to provide for the conferring of an award to be known as the Medal for Distinguished Civilian

Achievement; and

H. R. 243, to provide for the admission to St. Elizabeths Hospital, in the District of Columbia, of certain citizens of the United States adjudged insane in foreign countries.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Military Operations held hearing on technical and policy aspects of an atomic shelter program. Testimony was received from witnesses representing the Atomic Energy Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations received testimony from Assistant Secretary of Labor Newell Brown and other departmental witnesses with respect to Federal-State and local community responsibility in the area of employment security.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS

Committee on House Administration: Ordered favor-

ably reported to the House the following:

H. Res. 522, to provide an additional \$40,000 for investigation of Federal printing and paperwork (as authorized by H. Res. 128);

H. Res. 525, providing for two additional clerical employees for the Committee on Ways and Means;

H. Res. 550, authorizing the employment of one additional mail clerk, Office of the House Postmaster;

S. Con. Res. 71, to print as a Senate document and 5,000 additional copies the proceedings in connection with the acceptance of the statue of Maria L. Sanford, late of Minnesota; and

H. Con. Res. 228, to print as a House document and 1,068,000 additional copies for the use and distribution by each Member of Congress of the pamphlet entitled "Our American Government. What Is It? How Does

It Function?"

Also directed that the secretary of state of Maine be requested to bring the disputed ballots in the Oliver-Hale contested election, First Congressional District, to Washington, to be examined by the Subcommittee on Elections.

Announced also that results of recent questionnaires sent to Members of Congress had been examined and at a future date the committee expects to draft legislation in line with certain recommendations thereof.

INTERIOR MISCELLANY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

S. 847, relating to the construction and maintenance

of Hungry Horse Dam, Mont.;

S. 2557, to extend the time granted by the consent of Congress to the negotiation of certain compacts by the States of Nebraska, Wyoming, and South Dakota;

S. 2813, relating to the transfer to the Government of

property in Phoenix, Ariz.;

H. R. 9627 (amended), to convey certain lands in Alaska to the city of Ketchikan, Alaska;

H. R. 2127 (amended), to amend and clarify the

Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands; and

H. R. 8479, to lower the voting age of citizens of the Territory of Hawaii to 20 years.

FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications concluded hearings on H. R. 8742 and 8743, to provide a 2-year statute of limitations on actions involving transportation of property and passengers of the United States Government. Testimony was received from public witnesses and representative of the General Accounting Office.

FAIR TRADE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance continued hearings on H. R. 10527, and related bills, to equalize rights in the distribution of identified merchandise. Testimony was received from John W. Gwynne, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; and other witnesses. Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUDICIARY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 held hearing on the following bills: H. R. 8923, amending definition of youth offender under the Federal Youth Correction Act; H. J. Res. 424 and 425, relating to judicial policies in the sentencing of prisoners. Testimony was received from Warren Olney III, Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts; Representative Celler; and representatives of the Federal Judiciary, Department of Justice, and Bureau of Prisons, respectively.

A. T. & T. CONSENT DECREE

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust Subcommittee resumed hearings relative to the consent decree involving the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. Witnesses representing the A. T. & T. and Federal Communications Commission were heard. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 in executive session ordered favorably reported to the full committee 2 private claim bills of the House and ordered adversely reported 4 such bills.

FREIGHT FORWARDERS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Freight Forwarders continued hearings and received testimony from public witnesses on various bills relating to freight forwarding. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CAREER EXECUTIVE BOARD

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Manpower Utilization received testimony from Harris Ellsworth, Chairman, Civil Service Commission, on the President's Executive order creating a Career Executive Board. Recessed until Tuesday, May 6.

SPACE EXPLORATION

Select Committee on Astronautics and Space Exploration: Continued hearings relative to space exploration and related matters. Testimony was received from Government and public witnesses. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ALUMINUM

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 3 continued hearings relative to problems of small business in relation to the aluminum industry. Testimony was received from public witnesses. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

CURRENT ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Joint Economic Committee: Subcommittee on Fiscal Policy continued its hearings on current economic developments, with a panel discussion on alternative approaches to tax reduction. Witnesses participating in this session were Prof. Roy Blough, Graduate School of Business, Columbia University; Ralph E. Burgess, economist, American Cyanamid Co.; Prof. Walter W. Heller, department of economics, University of Minnesota; Everett M. Kassalow, industrial union department, AFL-CIO; Prof. Richard A. Musgrave, department of economics, University of Michigan; Sidney Rolfe, CIT Financial; and William W. Tongue, economist, Jewel Tea Co., Inc.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Conferees, in executive session, continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 5836, to readjust postal rates and to establish a Congressional policy for the determination of postal rates, but made no announcements, and recessed subject to call.

MENOMINEE INDIANS

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate-and House-passed versions of H. R. 6322, to delay dates for submission of plan for future control of property of Menominee Tribe.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 63 measures on call of the calendar. Temporary additional unemployment compensation bill passed by House. See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 8 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3732-3739; S. J. Res. 167-169; and S. Con. Res. 86.

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. J. Res. 167, directing the D. C. Commissioners to make a study of factors involved in the construction of a heliport in the D. C. (S. Rept. 1510);

H. R. 7300, providing certain changes in zoning provisions under the D. C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act (S. Rept. 1511); and